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For: A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)
INTRODUCING ESSENTIALLY)
RECTANGULAR PIECES OF CLOTH INTO)
A FEEDER)

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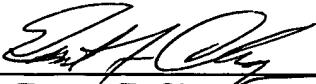
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